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1. Between 24 April and 3 May 1953, no air activity was observed at Wiener Neustadt (O 48/X 34) airfield. Between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on 3 May, the following aircraft were observed at the field: 27 MiG-15s, 9 twin-jet planes, 5 single-engine low-wing monoplanes with radial engines, two-bladed propellers, long cabin roofs between the wings, retractable landing gears with single wheels at the shock-absorbing struts, single rudder assemblies and rounded wing tips, and 10 twin-engine planes with double rudder assemblies in front of the hangars on the east edge of the pyrotechnic plant. Of the MiG-15s 23 were covered with tarpaulins and parked on the dispersal area between the airfield and the Woellersdorfer Strasse railroad stop, while the remaining 4 were parked west of the road sign on Badener Strasse.

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2. A sentry wearing black-bordered blue epaulets was posted at the Artillerie Kaserne, whose occupation apparently was unchanged. No change was observed at the radio installation. The Nachrichten Kaserne which apparently was slightly occupied was guarded by soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Six motor vehicles including tank truck were parked in the barracks yard.

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Comment. Wiener Neustadt airfield was previously occupied by two fighter regiments. The Il-28s observed at the field since some time may be the bomber regiment which was possibly transferred from Zwoelfaxing to Wiener Neustadt. This bomber regiment, formerly equipped with Pe-2s, was possibly re-equipped with Il-28s. The old twin-engine planes with double rudder assemblies, probably Pe-2s, which were observed for the first time in Wiener Neustadt in early April 1953 possibly represent the remainder of the old equipment of this bomber regiment. No definite conclusions can be drawn from the fact that 27 MiG-15s were mentioned in the present report while 63 MiG-15s were observed on 21 and 22 April 1953.

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